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TRANSMITTAL OF UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the utility patent application of:

Inventor(s): William Stephen Aaron

For: PAIRED FORCEPS

Attorney Docket Number AAR.101

Enclosed are:

X 6 sheet(s) of drawing.X 14 sheet(s) of specificationX Declaration for Utility Application using an Application Data Sheet (PTO/SB/01A).X Application Data Sheet.X Power of Attorney (PTO/SB/81)X An Information Disclosure Statement with copies of 11 cited references (PTO/SB/08A)X Applicant is a small entityX A Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122 NOT to publish at eighteen months after filing.X Bar code for Customer Number 24062.X A check in the amount of \$412.00

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**REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION
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35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

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Title: PAIRED FORCEPS

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